Kak na taluyu na zemlyu – Как на талую на землю

(Russia)

The title of this dance is taken from the first line of the accompanying song, meaning "As it happened, on the thawed earth." It is a traditional dance song from the Ural region. The dance, a so-called *parnaya plyaska* (plyaska meaning "dance," and parnaya "in couples") was choreographed by Hennie Konings and is an example of basic elements of the Russian folk dance school. It was first presented in Langnau, Switzerland, in 2010. The typical "walking steps over the heel" during meas 1-2 of Figure I are thought to originate from the city quadrille dancing, where town folks wearing modern heeled shoes liked to focus the attention to this piece of contemporary costume, making full use of the possibilities these shoes with heels were giving over old-fashioned leather sandals. Tatyana Ustinova, former choreographer of the Pyatnitskiy Folk Ensemble, developed an academic style of staged folk dancing, and she often made use of this particular step.

Pronunciation: kahk nah TAH-loo-yoo nah ZYEM-lyoo

Music: Mixed meter Russian and Ukrainian Songs and Dances presented by Hennie

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Each musical phrase consists of 4 meas with the following number of cts:

meas 1 4 cts (4/4) meas 2 4 cts (4/4) meas 3 6 cts (6/4) meas 4 5 cts (5/4)

Formation: Circle of couples (M on left), hands held in V-pos.

Steps & Styling: Note that closing steps (indicated as step-close) appear in this dance which

sometimes take wt and sometimes not. This depends on the subsequent step, and one should therefore anticipate the next movement to decide on the wt. Russian dancers often emphasize the last step in a series of eight with heavier step.

<u>Meas</u> <u>Pattern</u>

1-4 INTRODUCTION No action

I. CIRCLE

Step on R heel moving fwd into LOD (ct 1); in a continuous movement step on

whole R ft (ct &); repeat ct 1,& with L ft (cts 2,&); repeat cts 1,&,2,& (ct 3,&,4,&). This is not bouncy; head and upper body stay level.

2 Repeat meas 1, for a total of 8 steps.

3 Step on R heel fwd (ct 1); step L next to R (ct &); stamp R fwd with weight

(ct 2); repeat cts 1,&,2 with opp ftwk (cts 3,&,4); step R fwd (ct 5); stamp with L

a little fwd, without wt (ct 6).

Three steps L-R-L bkwd into RLOD (cts 1,2,3); step R bkwd while turning to

face ctr (ct 4); step-close L next to R without wt (ct 5).

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II. TO THE SIDE, TO CENTER AND BACK

- Step R sdwd in LOD with slight accent with R shoulder (ct 1); step L next to R (ct 2); repeat cts 1-2 (cts 3-4).
- 2 Repeat meas 1 (cts 1-4).
- Repeat meas 3 of Fig I moving to ctr (cts 1-6).
- 4 Repeat meas 4 of Fig I bkwd (cts 1-5).

III. COUPLES TURN

- Release hands with other cpl. W makes a full turn L in four steps L-R-L-R, turning into M's R arm, and as soon as possible after the turn the M takes with his L hand W's R hand. W ends in front of M in "wrap" or "cuddle" pos with R arm over L (cts 1-4). M has no action other than guiding the W.
- W releases L hand (M's R hand) and makes a full turn L about in four steps L-R-L-R to open up from M's arms, ending on the M's L side (cts 1-4). M has no action other than guiding the W.
- 2 Two-steps L-R-L and R-L-R (both in the rhythm QQS) while rotating half to L (CCW) as a cpl, W moving bkwd, M moving fwd, ending to face outward (cts 1-4); step L in place (ct 5); step-close R next to L without wt (ct 6).
 - Continue rotating L (CCW) as a cpl, completing a half-turn in four steps R-L-R-L, ending to face ctr (cts 1-4); step-close R next to L without wt (ct 5).

IV. SOLO

NOTE: M has no action during meas 1-2 except for observing and admiring W. W has no action during meas 3-4 except for observing and admiring M. Partners turn slightly to face each other diag twd ctr.

- <u>W</u>: Place hands (fingers closed, thumbs twd back) on hips. Step on R heel in front of L (ct 1); step back on L (ct &); step R next to L (ct 2); step on L heel in front of R (ct &); step back on R (ct 3); step L next to R (ct &); step with R in place (ct 4); step with L next to R (ct &). Shldrs move opp the feet, i.e., L shldr fwd and R bkwd on cts 1&, and reverse on cts &3.
- <u>W</u>: Stamp R heel next to L toe without wt (ct 1); accent with L heel while standing on L (i.e., quickly lifting heel and falling back immediately) (ct &); stamp R heel next to L toe (ct ah); step R in place (ct 2); repeat cts 1,&,ah,2 with opp ftwk (cts &,3,ah,&); stamp R without wt slightly fwd (ct 4).
- <u>M</u>: L arm high up, R hand ready to slap. Step L in place (ct 1); lift R knee and slap R hand onto R upper leg (ct &); step R in place (2); repeat cts 1,&,2 (ct &,3,&); again repeat cts 1,&,2 (ct 4,&,5); change arms, lift L knee and slap with L hand onto L upper leg (ct &); step L in place (ct 6).
- 4 <u>M</u>: Repeat cts 1-2 of meas 3 with opp ftwk two more times (1-3); step R in place (ct 4); stamp L next to R without wt (ct 5).

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V. <u>COUPLES REVERSE TURN</u>

1-3 Repeat Fig II, meas 1-3 with opp ftwk and direction.

Release hands with ptr. Both turn half in place (CW) in four steps L-R-L-R (cts 1-4); step L next to R with wt (ct 5). Ptrs have now changed places.

Repeat the dance from the beginning with a new ptr.

Sequence:

Introduction (no action)

Fig I, Fig II, Fig IV, Fig V three times

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Lyrics

Transliteration:	Translation:	Lyrics (Russian):
Kak na taluyu na zemlyu	Once on the thawed earth	Как на талую на землю
Vipala porosha	Fell fresh snow	Выпала пороша
Kak po etoy po poroshe	Over the fresh snow	Как по этой по пороше
Shol mal'chik khoroshiy	A nice boy went	Шёл мальчик хороший
Ne putyom shol, ne dorogoy	He didn't take the roads or the paths	Не путём шёл, не дорогой
Chuzhim ogorodom	The unknown garden	Чужим огородом
On chuzhim shol ogorodom	He went through the unknown garden	Он чужим шёл огородом
Chuzhoyu mezhoyu	The unknown fence	Чужою межою
Nabirayet, nazhimayet	He takes and presses	Набирает, нажимает
Kom belogo snega	A white snow ball	Ком белого снега
On kitayet, on brosayet	He throws and hurls it	Он кидает, он бросает
Devushke v koleni	To the girl's knees	Девушке в колени
Ne shuti beloy kudryaviy	Don't make jokes, curly boy	Не шути белой кудрявый
Mne teper' ne vremya	I don't have time	Мне теперь не время
Mne tepericha ne vremya	I don't have time now	Мне теперича не время
Ochen nesvobodno	I'm not free	Очень несвободно
U batyushki gostyat gosti	My father has guests	У батюшки гостят гости
U matushki gost'i	My mother has guests	У матушки гостьи
U mila bratsa kampan'ya	My dear brother has company	У мила братца кампанья
U menya podruzhki	I have girlfriends	У меня подружки
Ya s toboyu zastoyalas	I was standing with you	Я с тобою застоялась
Podrug rasteryala	I lost my girlfriends	Подруг растеряла.
Ya podruzhek rasteryala	I lost my girlfriends	Я подружек растеряла
Tebya tselovala	While I was kissing you	Тебя целовала